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DEPARTMENT PLEASE PASS FOR ACTION TO CHIEF OF PROTOCOL,
AMBASSADOR EVAN S. DOBELLE:

RE YOUR LETTER OF FEBRUARY 13, 1978 IN WHICH YOU REQUESTED
MY ASSISTANCE ON BEHALF OF AN EARLY SUPPORTER OF THE
PRESIDENT, MR. JOSEPH SUSSKIND (WHO LEFT ANTWERP SOME
FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO FOR THE U.S.), AND MR. SUSSKIND'S
DAUGHTER, IN LOCATING MEMBERS OF THE SUSSKIND FAMILY
WHO MAY STILL BE LIVING IN BELGIUM.

THROUGH PATIENT RESEARCH, THE CHIEF OF MY CONSULAR SECTION,
JAMES LASSITER, OBTAINED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WHICH
PROBABLY RELATES TO THE FAMILY OF JOSEPH SUSSKIND:

1) AN ISAK (ITZIK) SUSSKIND (PROBABLY THE
OLDEST BROTHER OF JOSEPH SUSSKIND, BORN IN
RZESOW (POLAND) ON MAY 15, 1900, LIVED IN ANTWERP UNTIL
1942. HIS LAST ADDRESS IN ANTWERP: MAGDALENA STRAAT 20.
HE AND HIS WIFE, SCHEINDLA
BUCHHOLZ, WERE DEPORTED BY THE GERMANS TO THE
CONCENTRATION CAMP AT AUSCHWITZ ON OCT. 31, 1942.
THEY NEVER RETURNED AND ARE PRESUMED DEAD.

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2) HERMAN SUSSKIND (PROBABLY ANOTHER BROTHER OF JOSEPH
SUSSKIND), BORN ON JUNE 29, 1903, LIVED WITH HIS WIFE,
FRIEDA, IN ANTWERP AT: BORGERHOUT MARINIS STRAAT 11,
UNTIL 1942. ON OCT. 24, 1942 THEY WERE ALSO SENT TO
AUSCHWITZ, NEVER RETURNED, AND ARE PRESUMED DEAD.

MR. LASSITER WAS UNABLE TO FIND ANY DATA ON THE OTHER

BROTHERS AND SISTERS OF JOSEPH SUSSKIND MENTIONED IN YOUR LETTER.

MR. LASSITER WAS SUCCESSFUL IN GETTING IN TOUCH WITH A DAVID SUSSKIND IN BRUSSELS WHO MAY BE A DISTANT RELATIVE OF JOSEPH SUSSKIND. DAVIS SUSSKIND'S GRANDMOTHER WAS A BRANDSTTER-SUSSKIND (BORN IN 1873) WHO, UNTIL HER DEPORTATION TO AUSCHWITZ ON AUGUST 18, 1942, LIVED IN ANTWERP AT: BORGERHOUT MARINISSTRAAT 13. PLEASE NOTE THAT JOSEPH SUSSKIND'S PROBABLE BROTHER, HERMAN (THE FURRIER) LIVED NEXT DOOR TO BRANDSTTER-SUSSKIND AT: BORGERHOUT MARINISSTRAAT 11.

MR. DAVID SUSSKIND'S ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE IN BRUSSELS:

89 AVENUE DES AUBEPINES, 1180, BRUSSELS, BELGIUM.
TELEPHONE: (02)-358-2043 (HOME); (031)-33-14-90 (OFFICE) .

PLEASE PASS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION URGENTLY TO JOSEPH SUSSKIND AND HIS DAUGHTER.

DAVID SUSSKIND VISITS THE U.S. SEVERAL TIMES EACH YEAR ON BUSINESS. HIS NEXT TRIP IS SCHEDULED AS FOLLOWS:

DEPART BRUSSELS ON SUNDAY, MARCH 12, VIA PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS
FLIGHT NO. 101; ARRIVE NEW YORK, JFK INT'L AIRPORT MARCH 12
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AT 2:35 P.M. NEW YORK TIME.

DAVID SUSSKIND WILL STAY AT THE WALDORF ASTORIA HOTEL IN NEW YORK CITY FOR FOUR OR FIVE DAYS BEFORE RETURNING TO BELGIUM. HE ASKS THAT JOSEPH SUSSKIND AND/OR JOSEPH'S DAUGHTER CONTACT HIM AT THE WALDORF TO PLAN A MEETING FOR FURTHER DISCUSSIONS RE THE SUSSKIND FAMILY. CHAMBERS

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